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CCNGS is a non-profit organization under Section 501c3 of the Internal Revenue Code. The Society meets on the second Tuesday of each month in the Drawbridge Room of Commercial Center, 900 East Karen, Suite A-210, Las Vegas, at 7:00 PM. The program includes the business meeting, a guest speaker, and refreshments. Our purpose is to provide instruction for the collection, preservation, and publication of genealogical, biographical, historical, and geographical materials.

Yearly membership dues are as follows:

Single membership	\$ 12.00
Life membership	\$120.00
Family membership of husband and wife.	\$ 15.00
Subscription to The Prospector only.	\$ 5.00

The Prospector is published quarterly in March, June, September, and December. It is free to members and \$1.50 for non-members. A Membership List is included in each December edition. New members are highlighted in each of the other three editions. Material submission deadlines are the 15th of the month prior to the month of issue.

Queries are free to CCNGS members and \$1.00 for non-members. There is a limit of 3 queries per issue per person. Queries must be resubmitted to appear again.

The Society desires to publish original material when it is possible along with other items of interest to our readers such as brief family genealogies, Bible records, ancestor charts, book reviews, old letters, vital statistics, census records, county records, cemetery records, book reviews, and articles on history and genealogy. It is also intended to be regional balanced in content. Comments about this policy are requested. Material is always solicited from all of our members as well as non-members.

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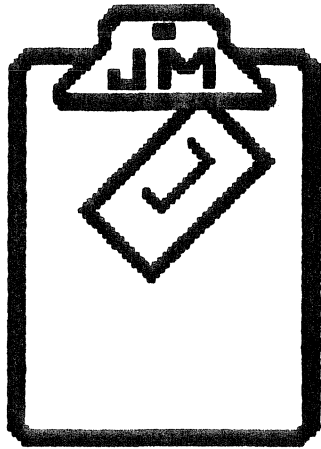
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SOCIETY OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES September 1987 thru September 1988

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President's Message

What a year this has been! Our seminars, workshops and meetings have been a great success. The things planned for this next year I am sure you will enjoy even more. For those who volunteered their time a special 'Thank You.' And remember, your help is always needed and very much appreciated.

A few of us just came back from a great trip to Salt Lake City and we all came back with new material to work on. I know for myself I will be busy for quite awhile. Salt Lake is a beautiful city and each time I go there I would like to stay and stay. Come to the meetings so we can tell you all about our trip.

At our last meeting there was a quarterly from the Jefferson County Genealogical Society, Pine Bluff, Arkansas called 'Footprints.' This is one of our new exchanges. As my family is from that area, I snapped it up real fast and what do you know? I found a new cousin, living in Texas who is researching the same great-great grandfather! We have already exchanged some information by phone. I couldn't wait for the mail.

Now see what those exchanges can do? If you haven't turned in your exchange list yet, do so soon.

I would like to thank all of you for the support you have given me this last year. As we work together we can build our Society and improve in every way. So support the new Board of Directors and when you can---VOLUNTEER!

Joyce Kelley Morris



From the

Editor

First, I would like to thank those people who have contributed various items of interest for our newsletter. Some articles appear in this issue. The others will appear in later issues. In the last issue, I asked for information about the successes people have had in obtaining good responses by mail. Thanks to those who responded.

Secondly, it appears that our newsletter has been read by people and organizations around the country. In any case, we have received several newsletters from other genealogical societies who have quoted many of the articles that appeared in our last issue. I will choose to consider this as praise for our efforts here. Thank you.

Lastly, I again ask for your input. This is your newsletter. What do you want to find each time you receive this? I have included in this issue a questionnaire about this newsletter, other newsletters you have 'known and loved', and what to both add to and drop from The Prospector. I would hope that the responses will arrive from not only our members, but also our 'extended family', the other societies with which we exchange newsletters.

Thank you again to those who have contributed items of interest. I do have the feeling there are others that could also be donating a variety of experiences. How do you feel about the offer of a door prize for the best received article that was donated?

C. J.



C.C.N.G.S.

Old Prospectors Found!

A special thanks to Ellen Pickering for donating some of the very first issues of the Prospector starting with number 1 from 1976. We are still looking for many more issues.

By the way, if you would like your name to be mentioned for any donations, please stamp or write your name on the donations.

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Newsletter Exchanges:

- So. NV Civil War Historical Society
- Yorba Linda Genealogical Society
- Lost & Found Query Newsletter
- National Genealogical Society
- 'Searcher' So. Cal. Gen. Society
- Topeka Genealogical Society
- 'Ozark Happenings' Texas Co, MO
- 'Navigator' Norfolk Gen. Society
- 'Footprints' Jefferson Co. AR
- 'Bulletin' No. Arizona Gen. Society
- 'GAS Lites' Gen. Assoc. Sacramento
- Whittier CA Genealogical Society
- So. Indiana Genealogical Society
- 'Genie' ARK-LA-TEX Gen. Society
- 'Bulletin' Carolinas Gen. Society
- 'Herald' Montgomery Co. Texas
- Poteau Valley OK Gen. Society
- 'Root Digger' Solano Co. CA Gen.
- Wayne Co. Historical, Wooster, OH

Our Library Donations

Over the last few months we have received numerous donations of books, newsletters, sales brochures, family histories, photos, maps, pedigree charts, family group sheets, etc, etc.

The bad news is we need to begin to organize this growing amount of genealogical information. Volunteers please see Cathy Marshall, now.

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Our society is now a member of the American Genealogical Lending Library of Bountiful, UT. We have in the library all of the catalogs from AGLL along with the order forms. They have over 80,000 rolls of microfilm available for rent or purchase. Some of us toured the AGLL facilities during our Salt Lake City trip. We can recommend them as a quality organization dedicated to providing an ever increasing variety of genealogical microfilms and fiche on film.

In this regard, our society does have a microfilm reader on loan from one of our members, Cathy Marshall. It is currently being cleaned and setup for use. Some electrical expertise would be a welcome addition to this process.



C.C.N.G.S.

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

1989 NATIONAL GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY CONFERENCE IN MINN

October

Roundtable discussions. Bring your research materials for exchanging information by geographical area.

This year the annual NGS meeting in Biloxi, MS was attended by over 1,300 people. Noone from our area attended as far as we know.

November

Instead of the general meeting, we have the Heritage Quest Road Show. The admission charge: \$8.00

The next conference will be held on May 17 to 20 in St. Paul, MN, the Twin City of Minneapolis. I do plan on attending and will report on the activities there. I hope to begin the marketing of my LEGACY (tm) Dropline Descendant Chart at the National Conference.

December

Our pot-luck Christmas party. Also a "Famous and Infamous" sharing of our ancestors. Who do you have in your family tree ?

The 1990 conference will be in Arlington, VA on June 6 to 9. And the 1991 location is Portland, OR with the dates of May 29 to June 1.

January

"How to do research in a Family History Center" such as in our Las Vegas FHC & St. George, UT.

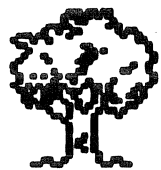
For more information about any of these conferences, you may write to the National Genealogical Society, 4527 Seventeenth Street North, Arlington, VA 22207-2399.

February

Effective Letter Writing panel. We need both examples of your good letters and panel volunteers.

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Can you spare 2 or 3 hours a month helping me write articles for The Prospector ? Remember, the more people helping, the more pages here to read. C.J.

St. George field trip



C.C.N.G.S.



*Guri Kaarvand Quande f. 1836 i Ora m/etterkommere.
Bak f.v.: Josephine Quande Korstad/Ida (Einarsdatter) Kaar-
vand Stone/Marie Quande Larson.*

*Foran f.v.: Gordon Korstad/Charlotte Korstad/Harold Alfred
Larson/Ellen Marie Larson g. Pickering - på fanget/Hazel
Larson.*

One Member's Photo Album

One of our earliest members is Ellen Marie (Larson) Pickering, membership number 28. She and her husband, Tom, are both long time members. They kindly have donated several items to our library.

Ellen is the little baby in the above picture, sitting on the lap of her mother's mother, Guri (Kaarvand) Quande 1836-1912. Her mother, Marie (Quande) Larson 1873-1957, is standing on right.



News from

The West

Mesa, Arizona Family History Center a Must Stop

During a recent business trip to Phoenix, I took some time to visit one of the three Family History Centers in the area. Fortunately, the closest center to where my business was turned out to be the best--that was the center in Mesa, located in the southeast area of metro Phoenix.

It turns out there are 7 multi-regional Family History Centers within the larger group of over 600 centers. These are the larger centers which serve several states maintaining larger collections of books and films. Our own Las Vegas FHC is one of the 7 along with Los Angeles, Oakland, Sacramento, Ogden, and Mesa.

To give you an idea of the size and scope of the library, consider the following statistics:

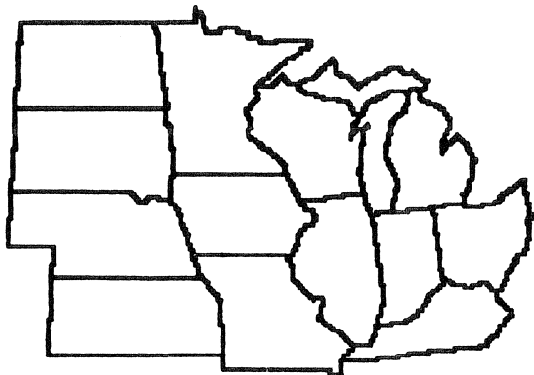
films -	Los Angeles	50,000	Las Vegas	5,000	Mesa	28,000
books -	"	5,000	"	5,000	"	16,000

They have 39 microfilm readers and 20 microfiche viewers which are used by between 3700 and 5300 patrons each month. It seems the winter months are the busiest for them. Evidently a lot of snowbirds prefer to read films in Phoenix instead of shoveling snow back home.

The Mesa FHC has been in operation for over 35 years and developed a training program for its volunteers which lasts 2 months. They are very well staffed with about 15 volunteers during each of their 2 shift operations.

They are also very involved with the Personal Ancestry File software, by offering training classes costing \$15 for 2 three hour classes and having 3 computers available for rental at the center. They have given training to over 300 PAF users in the area.

As for myself, I found several items in several books. A MUST stop!!



News from Midwest

Newspaper Genealogy Columns

South Bend Tribune, 225 W. Colfax, South Bend, IN 46626

This popular midwest newspaper, circulation 125,000, has in their Sunday edition a column entitled "Michiana Roots". It offers a free query service to anyone looking for information in the Indiana, Michigan and Illinois area. Send your query to the attention of column at the above address. The column also gives advice about researching as well as covering events of genealogical significance. The first four years of the column are available in book form for \$15.95 at the same address. Checks should be payable to Carol Collins.

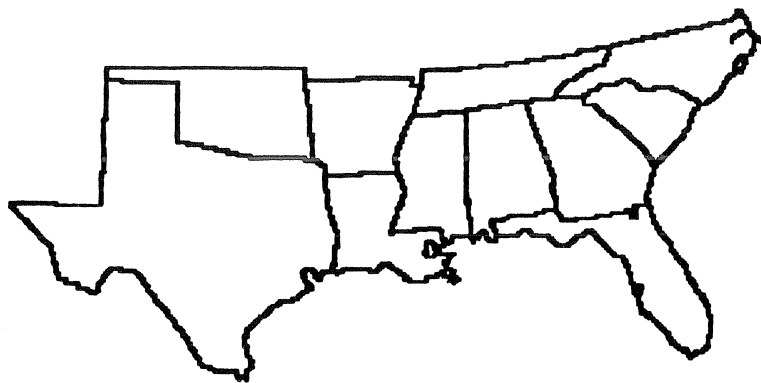
PS. If anyone does use their service, please let us know how effective it was.

Sunday World-Herald, PO Box 4244, Omaha, NB 68104

Another midwestern paper, the World-Herald serves Nebraska, Iowa, Kansas, and Missouri. Lesta Westmore writes the column entitled "Family Trails". It is a how-to column which is geared towards helping researchers tracing their ancestors in the 4 state area. Queries may be published several weeks after they are received. However, the query should focus on a specific person including a date and residence within the readership area.

CCNGS Member Receives "Paydirt" from Kansas

Leslie Spear contacted one of the researchers supplied on a list from the Kansas Historical Society and received a wealth of information, too much to list here. You may wish to write Mrs. Kay Conn, 1311 West 16th, Topeka, KS 66604 for a quote for Kansas research.



News of South

Oklahoma will celebrate the Land Run of 1889

The Oklahoma Genealogical Society will hold a three day conference on June 8 to 10, 1989 in Oklahoma City as one of the major events planned to recognize the historic Oklahoma Land Rush. They will hold 44 lecture sessions, four concurrently, which will be designed for both the novice and the experienced researcher. Topics will focus on both genealogical and historical research in Oklahoma as well as American Indian genealogy and records.

For more information, we have a promotional flier giving more details in our CCNGS library.

Very early records found in Sumner County, Tenn.

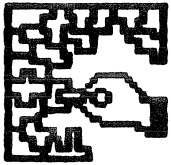
The following information is from a newspaper article, paper unknown, by J.R. Williamson, Nashville, March 1988.

About 265 boxes of mostly pre-Civil War records dating back to 1742 were found stored away in two archives by Shirley Wilson. With the help of Linda Carpenter, the records are being cataloged and indexed. The records will be made available for researching in Sumner County.

Some of the records are as follows:

- poll tax books of 1816-1822 listing every family, each year in Sumner
- Bills of sale of slaves from 1840 to 1860
- 800 original wills
- census records for 1830, 1840, 1850, 1870, and 1880
- court dockets, deeds, inventories, depositions

Mrs. Wilson believes it will take a year to catalog, index and cross-index all of the documents and the names they contain. Some local historians speculate that the documents were lost or stolen during the Civil War. It is not known how long the boxes were there.



I'm looking for....

**HAZEN
UFFORD**

Elizabeth Hazen born possibly in Portland CT on Dec 25, 1771, died Lee Center, Oneida Co, NY, Oct 28, 1837/8, married to Charles Ufford. Need all data, siblings, and ancestors.

**COOK
UFFORD**

Sarah Cook died Portland, CT, Feb 7, 1819, married there Apr 27, 1764 John Ufford. Need all data, sibs, anc of Sarah.

- - - Mrs Bernice Kaye, 4206 Ridgecrest Drive, Las Vegas, NV 89121

**ABELL
HARMON.
KING
SILLINGS**

**CHOATE
HIGGINBOTHAM
LANDRETH
WELLS**

**DEEL
HOBBS
MITCHELL**

**EDWARDS
KELLEMS
NEWTON**

**ELMORE
KENDALL
RAINES**

- - - Maxine Kellems Abell, 402 South Broadway, Pendleton, IN 46064

**EVANS
SCHUCKMAN**

Mattie Shuckman, born Jan 10, 1859, Maysville, MO, died Dec 30, 1902 Wichita KS. father George, mother Cynthia Ann Evans Will exchange information on Mattie and her parents.

**BELLIS
DAWSON**

Simon Dawson, born Dec 14, 1836, Schenectady NY, died May 20, 1908 St. John, KS married Fanny Jane Bellis, born May 12, 1841, Dallas Luzerne PA, died Mar 27, 1908, St. John, KS. Will exchange information

- - - Leslie Spear, 4615 East Lake Mead #22, Las Vegas, NV 89115

**AKERSTROM
BESBEDGE
BRYANT
DULLE
GUSTAFSON
HANSEN
JAMES
KARLSSON
MATTINGLY
OTTARSON
RASMUSSEN
SJUGURDSON**

**AHRON
BENSON
CARLSSON
DURBIN
GUTTORMSEN
HUBBARD
JANSSON
KILGORE
MORTON
PALSON
RUSSELL
SVANSON**

**ARNESDOTTER
BONHAM
CARPENTER
ECHARD
GROTE
IVARSON
JARNBERG
LARSSON
NILSSON
PEDERSON
SAUNDERS
SYVERSEN**

**BESBEY
BAHNER
CHURCHILL
ERSSON
HALL
INGEBORG
JELLINECK
MACFARLAND
OLESEN
PERSSON
SAMUELSON
STYPE**

**BISBEE
BROOKES
COSTELLO
ERLANDSON
HALVORSSON
JACOBSSON
JUSTSEN
MATSSON
OSTGREN
PONTUS
SHAW
THORBERNTS**

- - - Carl Jarnberg, 3111 South Valley View #A206, Las Vegas, NV 89102



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Questionnaire

1. What is missing from The Prospector ? _____

2. What do you like about our newsletter ? _____

3. What would you change or remove ? _____

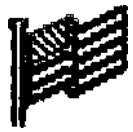
4. Considering the other newsletters that you have read, what did you like about them ? _____

5. How important are research tips and experiences ? _____

6. Would cartoons, poems and short points of interest add value ? _____
7. Do you prefer original research articles or simply reprints of articles from other newsletters ? _____

8. We have about 90 members now. How do you feel about including pedigree charts for 20 members in each issue ? _____

Comments _____



Membership News

Welcome to the summer: :

- #201 Charles, Cynthia Myers, 454 Sierra Vista, Apt 123, L.V., NV 89109
- #200 Bruno, Phyllis Syzdek, 4625 Rip Van Winkle St. Las Vegas, NV 89102
- #199 Patty Hutchinson, 6829 West Laredo Street, Las Vegas, NV 89102
- #198 VlrOjnta Heatly, 3729 Eastern Ave, Las Vegas, NV 89108
- #197 Elaine Norris, 3111 BelAir Dr, 27-H, Las Vegas, NV 89109
- #196 Cindy Seamen, 6416 vicernc. Las Vegas, NV 89102
and a belated Welcome to
- #181 Margaret Praotor. 2516 Conoress Ave., Las Vegas, NV 89121

Also, many thanks to the dozen or so members who renewed their memberships recently. If you would like to see your names listed here on the book occe. olecse let me know.

Remember, thiS is your newsletter. It is a reflection of your requests and cant nout ions,

Happy hunting,

The Editor



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